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Wildland Fire and Smoke Update

5 new fires and one false alarm were reported to the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center Thursday. Two of the fires burned a .1 acre or less and are now out. One human caused fire off of a 4 wheeler trail in the Mat-Su area was reported smoldering in duff. One fire was reported on the Tongass National Forest. Eight smokejumpers are staffing the lightning caused Side Creek Fire which is 13 miles N of Rampart and about 25 acres in size.

As of 9 am Thursday, the Alaska Interagency Coordination Center had tallied 379 fires and 691,704.7 acres burned this year. At this time last year, 302 fires had burned 52,708.6 acres.

64 fires are active across Alaska. 13 fires are staffed (or will be today).

Fire Name	Approx. Location	Acres Burned	Fire Personnel
Minto Flats South	12 mi west of Nenana	133,887 acres	117 personnel
			Alaska Type 2 Incident
			Mgt. Team
			Boise Hotshots
			Bonneville Hotshots
			Idaho City Hotshots
			Sawtooth Hotshots
			Snake River Hotshots
			Fairbanks #1 Type 2 crew
Bear Creek	60 mi. W of Healy	32,546 acres	30 personnel
			Chena Type 1 crew
Zitziana	58 mi. W of Anderson	30,335 acres	35 personnel
_			Pioneer Peak Type 1 crew

Fire Name	Approx.Location	Acres Burned	Fire Personnel
Rock Slough	50 mi. NE of Ft. Yukon	14,500	141 personnel
			Gannet Glacier 2IA crew
			Midnight Sun Type 1 crew
			North Star Type 2 crew
			Venetie #1 Type 2 crew
			Ft. Yukon #2 Type 2 crew
Foxhole	21 mi. E of Fox	2 acres	20 personnel
			Fairbanks #3 Type 2 crew
Chakina	13 mi. S of McCarthy	7,000 acres	11 personnel
Lunch Lake	20 mi. NW of Nenana	4,430 acres	93 personnel
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Winter Trail	10 mi. W of Aniak	2,310 acres	37 personnel
			Upper Kalskag Type 2
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			Yukon Type 2IA crew
Logging Slash	22 mi. NW of Nenana	75 acres	96 personnel
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Eagle Creek 2	31 mi. E of Bettles	733 acres	2 personnel
Shanta Creek	Off Funny River Road	8,000 acres	265 personnel ordered
	Kenai		NIMO Type 1
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Side Creek	13 mi. N of Rampart	25 acres	8 personnel
Slate Creek	10 mi. SE of Livengood	641 acres	21 personnel
			Minto #1 Type 2 crew

Large Fires >	Approx. Location	Acreage	These fires are not
10,000 ac.			staffed
Sheenjek	50 mi. N of Ft. Yukon	12,289 acres	being monitored
Little Black One	18 mi. NE of Circle	99,063.1 acres	being monitored
Allman Lake	28 mi. N of Marshall	17,856 acres	being monitored
Big River	51 mi. S of Nikolai	14,501 acres	Being monitored
Dillinger	31 mi. SE of Nikolai	30,120 acres	being monitored
Susulatna	45 mi. N of Medfra	16,386 acres	being monitored
Broken Snowshoe	3 mi. N of McGrath	25,345 acres	being monitored
Tonclonukna Creek	20 mi. N of Nikolai	73,837 acres	being monitored

For updated information about the Minto Flats South Fire, call the Fire Information Office in Nenana at 907-832-1097 or 1838. Additional information about the fire is being posted at: www.inciweb.org.

Warmer weather and lower humidities are expected to cover much of Interior Alaska through next week. Fire activity and persistent smoke is expected to remain over many areas of Alaska until the weather pattern changes. To learn about protecting yourself from smoke, visit: http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm For daily fire information, please visit:

http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf and for a map of fire locations, click on "Fire Information" at http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php

Additional References

- Alaska Interagency Coordination Center: http://fire.ak.blm.gov/
 - Map of Current Fires: http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php
 - Situation Report: http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf
 - National Fire Situation: http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf
 - Guide to Wildland Fire Suppression in AK:
 http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/news/psa/Media%20Guide%20to%20AK%20Wildland%20Fire%20Suppression.pdf
- Alaska Wildland Fire Coordinating Group- Education and Reference Materials: http://fire.ak.blm.gov/administration/awfcg.php
- Creating Defensible Space: http://firewise.org/ and http://forestry.alaska.gov/pdfs/06Firewise.pdf
- Department of Transportation (Road Closure Info): (907) 451-2240, http://511.alaska.gov/
 - Alaska Division of Forestry (Burn Permit Info): http://forestry.alaska.gov/burn/
- Department of Environmental Conservation (Smoke Concerns): http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm
- National Parks Service: http://www.nps.gov/akso/Fire/firehome.htm
- National Weather Service: http://www.nws.noaa.gov/
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife: http://www.fws.gov/fire/
- USDA Forest Service: http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/
- Anchorage Fire Department: www.muni.org/fire
- Temporary Flight Restriction Information: http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc/
- Federal Aviation Administration: http://www.faa.gov/

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